

**U.S. District Court  
Northern District of Georgia (Atlanta)  
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:19-cv-05567-JPB**

Southeastern Legal Foundation, Inc. v. United States  
Department of Justice  
Assigned to: Judge J. P. Boulee  
Cause: 05:0552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 12/11/2019  
Jury Demand: None  
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of  
Information Act  
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
12/11/2019	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT filed by Southeastern Legal Foundation, Inc. (Filing fee \$400, receipt number AGANDC-9168222). (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet)(ah) Please visit our website at <a href="http://www.gand.uscourts.gov/commonly-used-forms">http://www.gand.uscourts.gov/commonly-used-forms</a> to obtain Pretrial Instructions and Pretrial Associated Forms which includes the Consent To Proceed

		Before U.S. Magistrate form. (Entered: 12/12/2019)
12/11/2019	<u>2</u>	Certificate of Interested Persons and Corporate Disclosure Statement by Southeastern Legal Foundation, Inc. (ah) (Entered: 12/12/2019)
12/11/2019	<u>3</u>	Summons Issued as to United States Department of Justice, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Summons United States Attorney, # <u>2</u> Summons United States Attorney General)(ah) (Entered: 12/12/2019)
12/13/2019	<u>4</u>	<b>STANDING ORDER REGARDING CIVIL LITIGATION.</b> Signed by Judge J. P. Boulee on 12/13/19. (bnw) (Entered: 12/13/2019)
12/13/2019	<u>5</u>	CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE filed by Southeastern Legal Foundation, Inc. (Hermann, Kimberly) (Entered: 12/13/2019)
12/13/2019	<u>6</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Anna Celia Howard on behalf of Southeastern Legal Foundation, Inc. (Howard, Anna) (Entered: 12/13/2019)
12/13/2019		Clerks Notation re <u>2</u> Certificate of Interested Persons approved by JPB. (bnw) (Entered: 12/13/2019)
01/06/2020	<u>7</u>	AFFIDAVIT of Service for Affidavit of Service , as to U.S. Dept of Justice; Atty Gen. William P. Barr; U.S. Atty's Office for NDGA. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit, # <u>2</u> Exhibit, # <u>3</u> Exhibit)(Howard, Anna) (Entered: 01/06/2020)
01/15/2020	<u>8</u>	Unopposed MOTION for Extension of Time to File Answer with Brief In Support by United States Department of Justice. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Brief, # <u>2</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Williams, Samuel) (Entered: 01/15/2020)
01/16/2020		ORDER: For good cause shown, the <u>8</u> motion is GRANTED. IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Defendant shall respond to Plaintiff's Complaint no later than February 14, 2020. Signed by Judge J. P. Boulee on 1/16/20. (bnw) (Entered: 01/16/2020)
02/14/2020	<u>9</u>	MOTION for Extension of Time to File Answer re <u>1</u> Complaint, with Brief In Support by United States Department of Justice. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Brief, # <u>2</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Williams, Samuel) (Entered: 02/14/2020)
02/18/2020		ORDER granting <u>9</u> Motion for Extension of Time to Answer. United States Department of Justice Answer due 2/28/2020. Signed by Judge J. P. Boulee on 2/18/20. (bnw) (Entered: 02/18/2020)
02/28/2020	<u>10</u>	ANSWER to <u>1</u> COMPLAINT by United States Department of Justice. Discovery ends on 7/27/2020.(Williams, Samuel) Please visit our website at <a href="http://www.gand.uscourts.gov">http://www.gand.uscourts.gov</a> to obtain Pretrial Instructions. (Entered: 02/28/2020)
03/20/2020	<u>11</u>	General Order 20-01 re: COURT OPERATIONS UNDER THE EXIGENT CIRCUMSTANCES CREATED BY COVID-19 AND RELATED CORONA VIRUS. Signed by Judge Thomas W. Thrash, Jr. on 3/16/2020. (ddm) (Entered: 03/23/2020)
03/30/2020	<u>12</u>	JOINT PRELIMINARY REPORT AND DISCOVERY PLAN filed by Southeastern Legal Foundation, Inc.. (Howard, Anna) (Entered: 03/30/2020)
03/31/2020	<u>13</u>	SCHEDULING ORDER approving the parties' <u>12</u> Joint Preliminary Report and Discovery Plan. Per the request of the parties, there shall be no discovery in this case. The parties shall provide a joint status update to this Court no later than July 1, 2020. As part of that status update, the parties shall propose deadlines for dispositive motions. Signed by Judge J. P. Boulee on 3/31/2020. (ddm) (Entered: 03/31/2020)
04/02/2020	<u>14</u>	Amended General Order 20-01 re COURT OPERATIONS UNDER THE EXIGENT CIRCUMSTANCES CREATED BY COVID-19 AND RELATED CORONA VIRUS. Signed by Judge Thomas W. Thrash, Jr. on 3/30/20. (jpa) (ADI) (Entered: 04/02/2020)
05/04/2020	<u>15</u>	Amended General Order 20-01 re COURT OPERATIONS UNDER THE EXIGENT CIRCUMSTANCES CREATED BY COVID-19 AND RELATED CORONA VIRUS. Signed by Judge Thomas W. Thrash, Jr. on 3/30/20. (jpa) (ADI) (Entered: 05/04/2020)

05/05/2020	<u>16</u>	SECOND AMENDMENT TO GENERAL ORDER 20-01 RE: COURT OPERATIONS UNDER THE EXIGENT CIRCUMSTANCES CREATED BY COVID-19 AND RELATED CORONA VIRUS. Signed by Judge Thomas W. Thrash, Jr. on 04/30/2020. (jpa) (ADI) (Entered: 05/05/2020)
05/21/2020	<u>17</u>	Certification of Consent to Substitution of Counsel. Lisa D. Cooper replacing attorney Samuel Harrington Williams. (Cooper, Lisa) (Entered: 05/21/2020)
05/27/2020	<u>18</u>	THIRD AMENDMENT TO GENERAL ORDER 20-01 RE: COURT OPERATIONS UNDER THE EXIGENT CIRCUMSTANCES CREATED BY COVID-19 AND RELATED CORONA VIRUS. Signed by Judge Thomas W. Thrash, Jr. on 05/26/2020. (dgs) (ADI) (Entered: 05/27/2020)
07/01/2020	<u>19</u>	STATUS REPORT by Southeastern Legal Foundation, Inc.. (Howard, Anna) (Entered: 07/01/2020)